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Ms. Donna R. Searcy, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, N. W. Room 222  
Washington, DC 20554

RE: PR Docket No. 92-235

Dear Ms. Searcy:

The Board of Directors of Eden-Farson Fire Control District wish to file their objections to proposed rule change 92-235. This tax supported rural fire district has volunteer firemen and a group of volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians. These groups have recently been equipped with paging systems that this ruling would make unusable. Also involved would be four vehicles with radios. The approximate cost of replacing these systems would be between \$55,000.00 and \$60,000.00, which is over half the amount budgeted for most fiscal years. Obviously this would be an overwhelming financial burden.

Our ambulance is located 45 miles from the nearest hospital and many ambulance trips have been at least 20 to 40 miles further away. In this area that would make our hospital input too faint and weak to be of any assistance to the E.M.Ts.

This reduced power may cause failure to our replaced paging systems, again due to distance.

We understand the need for a change like this in the densely populated, crowded areas. However, Wyoming is basically a rural state with large distances between most communities, as are most of our neighboring states. Perhaps these changes could be implemented where needed with exclusions for the mid-section of the country, or the Rocky Mountain Area, or less densely populated areas.

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We believe these changes would effectively, completely obliterate our communications with help from outside of our immediate area. Our request is consideration for areas that need mobile contact of distances of over fifty miles with rugged terrain involved.

Respectfully submitted,

EDEN-FARSON FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

Eugene Smith, Chairman

Daniel Mitchelson, Vice Chairman

Justyne Tomich, Secretary-Treasurer